

B is aryl, furyl, imidazolyl, pyridyl, thienyl, thiazolyl, benzothiazolyl or pyridazinyl;

X and Y are, independently, CH;

R¹ is alkyl, alkenyl, cyanoalkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, heterocyclyl, heterocyclalkyl, heteroalkyl or alkylcarbonylalkyl;

R² is alkyl, alkenyl, haloalkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, or NR¹³R¹⁴ wherein:

R¹³ is hydrogen or alkyl;

R¹⁴ is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, acyl, haloalkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, aralkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, carboxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, or aminoalkyl;

R³ is hydrogen, alkyl, halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, alkoxy; or prodrugs, individual isomers, mixtures of isomers, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

REMARKS

Claims 1-49 are pending in this application. Claims 20-37 and 44-49 have been withdrawn from further consideration by the Examiner allegedly for being drawn to a non-elected invention. Claim 1 has been amended. Support for such amendment can be found, for example, in the description on page 20, lines 11-12; and in the Table on page 14, compound #s 17 through 19, and compound #1-22; on page 15, compound #1-15, and on page 16, compound #s 1-57 through 1-59 and compound #s 1-62 through compound 1-67.

Attached hereto as Appendix A captioned "Version with Markings to show changes made" is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. In addition, for the convenience of the Examiner, all claims now pending following entry of the present Amendment and Response are reproduced in Appendix B captioned "Pending Claims."

Restriction Requirement

Applicants hereby affirm the election to prosecute the invention of Group 1, Claims 1-19, and Claims 38-43, made with traverse in a telephonic conversation with Mr. Rohan Peries on December 12, 2001. Accordingly, Claims 20-37 and 44-49 have been cancelled and withdrawn from further consideration to comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.142(b). This election was made solely in the interest of expediting prosecution of the present application.